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In response to the Office Action dated July 15, 2003, and in accordance with Rule 116 of the Rules of Practice, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. Enclosed herewith is: 1) a Petition for Extension of Time for a period of three months up to January 15, 2004 with appropriate fees; 2) a Notice of Appeal; 3) Amendment fee transmittal Sheet; and 4) Exhibit A: a copy of U.S. Patent Application Publication No.: US 2003/0072737.

Applicants respectfully request that the amendments and remarks made herein be entered into the record of the instant application. Please charge all required fees to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150.

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